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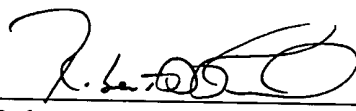
The claims have been amended to further clarify the present inventive subject matter from the prior art. In the present invention, a solution is deposited on the surface in a desired pattern. It is not simply spread completely over the surface. Then, energy is added to the entire surface, and a redox reaction occurs. No mask is used to create a pattern in the present invention.


In the prior art, a solution is spread across the entire layer (in a degenerate pattern), using sputtering or other similar techniques. Then, they use a mask to create a pattern. Then, energy is applied, and a redox reaction occurs. The excess solution that did not react in the redox reaction is then washed away.

Thus, the presently contemplated subject matter is completely novel and non-obvious from the prior art.

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